Neighborhood Advisory Group Meeting San Jose City Hall Wing, room 118-119 April 16, 2008 minutes

6:35 pm- Agenda Item I/II-Welcome and Chair's Remarks

- Joan Rivas-Cosby welcomed everyone in attendance.
- Beth Safran-Mukai reiterated 4/18 deadline for applications to Neighborhood Commission. Three commissioners from each district will be selected with two alternates.
- Councilman Liccardo invited people to check with his office regarding upcoming D3 neighborhood watch meeting locations, dates and times.

6:45 pm- Agenda Item III- Presentation of Mayor's Budget

- Umberto Ruiz gave a slide presentation of Mayor's budget (handouts provided).
- Armando Gomez presented mayor's budget philosophy, solicit stakeholder input before process is complete to allow for changes. Mayor is aware of public concerns to maintain infrastructure and services.
- Budget Q&A: departmental process review for budget saving ideas; possible zero-based budget analysis; re-allocation of redevelopment agency money.

7:35 pm- Agenda Item IV- Working Group Updates

- Youth Activities and Gang Abatement- Joan Rivas Cosby, group is brainstorming outreach strategies, good response for upcoming job fair, and D3 office has provided mentor group resources.
- Traffic Calming and Street Maintenance- Scott Owens, identifying "bang for buck" projects, continued work with DOT for improved communication
- Parks and Community Spaces- ongoing updating of project list
- Watch BigTent for information on upcoming dates and deadlines. https://www.bigtent.com/log_in

7:45 pm- Agenda Item V- Review of Action Items/Conclusion

- Khanh Bui reminds folks that BigTent will have listing of Neighborhood Commission applicants available for review before next meeting.
- The May meeting will serve as the district caucus for D3 neighborhood commission selection.

7:50 pm- Meeting Adjourned

Next meeting date: Wednesday, May 21, 2008, 6:30-8:00 pm, San Jose City Hall Wing room 118-119